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Disclaimer: The following list does not imply any endorsement or recommendation by the Federal Government. This is not a complete list of resources. It is intended only to be an aid to those seeking initial guidance on native landscaping.

Below is a partial list of resources and publications on natural landscaping. Check with your book dealer for additional resources.

RESOURCES:

Prairie Sun Consultants, 612 Staunton Road, Naperville, Illinois 60565-2607; (630) 983-8404.
Extensive list of additional publications and a source of information.

Wild Ones Natural Landscapers, Ltd., P.O. Box 23576, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53223;
(630) 415-IDIG.

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PUBLICATIONS:

An Atlas of Biodiversity, Chicago Wilderness, The Chicago Region Biodiversity Council, 1997.

"Be a Grower Not a Mower," Gardener's Supply Company, leaflet (EPA-420-F-96-018),
Burlington, VT, 1996.

Conservation Design for Subdivisions, Randall Arendt, Island Press, 1996.

"Consumer Directory of Minnesota Native Wildflower/Grass Producers," Minnesota Native
Wildflower/Grass Producers Association, Route 1, Box 41, Blue Earth, MN 56013. Promotes
high quality, regionally adapted native plants and seeds, lists several nurseries.

*Easy Care Native Plants: A Guide to Selecting and Using Beautiful American Flowers, Shrubs
and Trees*, Patricia A. Taylor, 1996.

"Explore Minnesota Wildflowers," Minnesota Department of Transportation, Office of
Environmental Services, 3485 Hadley Avenue North, Oakdale, MN 55128. Why native plants
are a "natural resource worth protecting," "native plant" defined, 3 vegetation types in
Minnesota, and how to help protect native plants.

Field and Forest: A Guide to Native Landscapes for Gardeners and Naturalists, Jane Scott,
1992.

A Garden of Wildflowers, H.W. Art, Stoney Communications, Inc., Pownal, VT, 1986.
Gardening with Native Wild Flowers, S.B. Jones and L.E. Foote, Timber Press, Inc., Portland,
OR, 1990.



Going Native: Biodiversity in Our Own Backyards, Janet Marinelli, ed., Brooklyn Botanic Garden, Brooklyn, NY, 1994.

Grow Wild!: Low-Maintenance, Sure-Success, Distinctive Gardening with Native Plants, Lorraine Johnson and Andrew Leyerle, 1998.

Growing and Propagating Showy Native Woody Plants, Richard E. Bir and Karen Palmer, 1992

Growing and Propagating Wildflowers, H.R. Phillips, The University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill, NC, 1985.

"Information on Prairie Plantings," Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Nature Preserves, 402 West Washington St., Room 267, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Native plants in prairie plantings, seed mixes, importance of ecotypes originating in the northeast parts of the tallgrass prairie.

Landscape Restoration Handbook, Donald Harker, et al., Lewis Publishers, Boca Raton, FL, 1993.

Landscaping for Wildlife, Carrol Henderson, St. Paul, MN: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Section of Wildlife, Non-game Wildlife Program, 1987.

Landscaping with Native Trees, Guy Sternberg and Jim Wilson.

Landscaping with Nature: Using Nature's Designs to Plan Your Yard, Jeff Cox, Rodale Press, Emmaus, PA, 1991.

Landscaping with Wildflowers and Native Plants, William Wilson and Michael Smith, 1984.

The Lawn: a History of an American Obsession, Virginia Scott Jenkins, Smithsonian Institution Press, Washington D.C., 1994.

"Making a Prairie Garden," Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Fountain Square, Columbus, OH 43224. Siting a prairie garden, planning, collecting seeds, preparation, planting, maintenance.

Michigan Flora: A Guide to the Identification and Occurrence of the Native and Naturalized Seed-Plants of the State. Part I. Gymnosperms and Monocots, E.G. Voss, Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomington Hills, MI, 1972.

Michigan Flora: A Guide to the Identification and Occurrence of the Native and Naturalized Seed-Plants of the State. Part II. Dicots (Saururaceae-Cornaceae), E.G. Voss, Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomington Hills, MI, 1985.

Minnesota's Natural Heritage: An Ecological Perspective, J.R. Tester, University of Minnesota Press, Minneapolis, MN 1995.

Miracle Under the Oaks: The Revival of Nature in America, William K. Stevens, Pocket Books, New York, 1995.

"Ohio Natural Heritage Data Services," Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Fountain Square, Building F-1, Columbus, OH 43224.

The National Wildflower Research Center's Wildflower Handbook, A. Paulson, Texas Monthly Press, Austin, TX, 1989. National Wildflower Research Center, 2600 FM 973 North, Austin, TX 78725-4201, 512/929-3600.

A Native Plant Primer: Trees, Shrubs and Wildflowers for Natural Gardens, Carole Ottesen, Harmony Books, NY, 1995.

Native Plants for Northern Gardens, Leon C. Snyder, Andersen Horticultural Library, Chanhassen, MN, 1991.

Native Trees, Shrubs, and Vines for Urban and Rural America; a Planting Design Manual for Environmental Designers, Gary L. Hightshoe, Van Nostrand Reinhold, NY, 1988.

The Natural Habitat Garden, Ken Druse, Clarkson Potter, New York, 1994.

80 Great Natural Habitat Plants, Ken Druse, 1998.

Natural Landscaping, John Diekelmann and Robert Schuster.

Natural Landscaping: Gardening with Nature to Create a Backyard Paradise, Sally Roth, Rodale Press, 1997.

Natural Landscaping for Public Officials--A Source Book, (also, poster brochure and annotated slide collection) Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, 222 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 1800, Chicago, IL 60606; (312) 454-0400.

The Natural Lawn and Alternatives, Janet Marinelli and Margaret Roach, 1993.

Nature's Design: A Practical Guide to Natural Landscaping, Carol A. Smyser, Rodale Press, Emmaus, PA, 1982.

Nature's Heartland: Native Plant Communities of the Great Plains Illustrated in Seasonal Color, William Boon and Harlen Groe, Iowa State University Press, Ames, IA, 1990.

The New Garden: Restoring Prairies, Neil Diboll, The New Garden, San Antonio, TX, 1992.

"Nitty-Gritty Details and Planting Instructions For A Dozen Basic Wildflowers and Grasses", Julie Sacco, Chicago Openlands Project, 1996.

Noah's Garden: Restoring the Ecology of Our Own Backyards, and also *Planting Noah's Garden*, Sara Stein, Houghton Mifflin, 1993.

Plants of the Chicago Region, F. Swink and G. Wilhelm, Indiana Academy of Science, Indianapolis, IN 1994.

The Prairie Establishment and Landscaping Guide, William E. McClain, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Division on Natural Heritage, 524 South Second Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1787; (217) 785-8774.

The Prairie Garden: 70 Native Plants You Can Grow in Town or Country, J. Robert Smith with Beatrice S. Smith, The University of Wisconsin Press, Madison, WI, 1980.

Prairie Plants of Illinois, J.W. Voight and R.H. Mohlenbrock. Department of Conservation (now Illinois Department of Natural Resources), Division of Natural Resources and Natural Heritage, Springfield, IL, 1985. Includes sketches of plants; information about season and stature; flowers; leaves; use or importance; habitat; and range.

Prairie Plants of the Midwest: Identification and Ecology. Russell R. Kirt, Stipes Publishing Co., Champaign, IL, 1995.

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Tallgrass Prairie Wildflowers, Doug Ladd, Falcon Press, Helena, MT, 1995.

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What Good is a Prairie?, Douglas H. Chadwick, Audubon Vol. 97: 36-46, 114-116, 1995.

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The Wild Lawn Handbook: Alternatives to the Traditional Front Lawn, Stevie Daniels, Macmillan, NY, 1995.

Wild Ones Handbook, Wild Ones Natural Landscapers, Ltd., P.O. Box 23576, Milwaukee, WI 53223; www.for-wild.org.

The Wildflower Book, East of the Rockies: An Easy Guide to Growing and Identifying Wildflowers, Lillian Stokes, 1992.

Wildflowers of Fields, Roadsides, and Open Habitats of Illinois, Robert Mohlenbrock, Illinois Department of Conservation (now Illinois Department of Natural Resources), Springfield, IL, 1981. Color photographs of plants, some considered weedy and growing in areas subject to disturbance; native flora, particularly those in prairie remnants. Each photograph has description of plant, habitat, range in Illinois, and time of flowering.

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